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TAG DAY RAPID-Ly approaching

The spirit of TAG DAY has been caught by the students at large judging from the enthusiastic ejaculations of co-operation and support the event will be a rousing success. The committee has been swawmped with offers from frosh who are willing to gracielessly cut freehand and peddle TAGS for the Cause. The M. I. T. Janitors Union has unanimously resolved to cast off their dusky dusty dusters to collar refractory and unpatriotic students who feel the sudden effects of the business depres-"Stew" Colton has agreed to increase the bichloride in the fish cakes of would-be evaders. The Wheel and Axle Cop at the corner of Boylston and Clarendon has been supplied with several thousand with which to impose fines upon slothful studes who find it necessary to hold

(Continued on Page Six) CIVIL ENGINEERS

Trip To Fort Andrew Friday—Talk Next Week.

Members of the Civil Engineering Society will make a trip to Fort Andrew Friday afternoon. The party will meet at Long Wharf at two c'clock, taking a government boat to the Fort. Lieutenant Foote will show the company over the grounds, and it is expected that there will be a dress parade in honor of the party. All members of the Society who intend to go on this trip should sign up with Thomas, Tobey or Hastie. The steamer will return to the city at 5.30.

On Friday evening, November 27th, a meeting of the Society will be held in the Union, when Rev. Dr. Powers of Gloucester will speak on "What We Owe to Germany." The Society invites all students to attend.

FRESHMAN NOMINATIONS

The list of freshman nominations published in last Monday's issue remains the same with the addition of two more candidates: William Ryan for President and A. R. Evans for Treasurer. Ballots will be mailed to the members of the class this afternoon. They are due at the Cage before Wednesday, November 25, at 2 p. m. Any who do not receive ballots by mail may procure them at the Cage after Friday noon. Those who have not paid their class dues may do so at the Cage when they turn in their votes.

ANNUAL SHOW DINNER TOMORROW EVENING

New Coach To Speak—Name of This Year's Book To Be Announced.

Preparations for the Kommers' Dinner tomorrow night are practically completed. This is the first Tech Show event of the year and those in charge declare that there is every indication that it will be a pronounced success.

The only thing that prevents Manager Lord from making the list of speakers a record one is the war in Europe. It was at first thought possible to have all the leading characters of "A Royal Johnnie" on hand,

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MUSICAL CLUBS GIVE YEAR'S FIRST CONCERT

Franklin Square House Recital Well Received—Hawaiian Trio Encored.

The Combined Musical Clubs gave their first concert of the season last evening in the Franklin Square House. The audience was enthusiastic over the work of the Clubs. The bit of the evening was the Hawaiian trio, composed of McDaniels, Wells and King. They were obliged to give several encores. The Glee Club Quartette and H. G. Mann, who gave some readings, were both well received numbers. The concert was followed by a dance. The program follows:

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PARKINSON AND HILLER AS SIMPSON AND THE PRINCESS ELAINE-IN "A ROYAL JOHNNIE,"

T. C. A. TALK

The next T. C. A. talk will be given in the Union tomorrow at one-thirty by the Rev. Paul Revere Frothingham of the Arlington Street church. The subject will be "The Object of Education."

GYM TEAM PRACTICE

Today and tomorrow the Gym Team will meet in the gymnasium at five o'clock for practice.

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

Men who wish to obtain business experience may consult the Advertising Manager of The Toch in the upper office any day between five and six o'clock. The advertising department at present consists of only three men and the Advertising Manager. Besides offering the opportunity of gaining a position on its business staff, The Tech pays a commission on all new ads obtained.

SUMMER CAMP REUNION HELD LAST EVENING

Professor G. E. Russell Acts As Toastmaster—Large Number Present.

The Summer Camp Reunion took place last evening and almost all of the Camp Crowd were present. Steward Colton furnished an excellent venison dinner which was served at 6.30. A unique way of providing after dinner smokes was the placing of a corncob filled with tobacco at each place.

Professor George E. Russell acted as toastmaster. Speeches were made by a number of those present including some of the faculty, even O. B. Pyle being called on. The faculty was represented by Dean Burton, Bursar Ford and Professors Spofford, Robbins, Breed, Hosmer and Howard.

The minstrel show which occurred last summer was acted again, much to the enjoyment of all. "Dip" McClure was received with enthusiasm when he again sang, "Just Plant a Watermelon on My Grave." "Rusty" White told a story about the lady reporter and the bear. There were also shown a number of pictures which were taken last summer at the camp.

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STUDENTS CONVOCATION

May Be Held Tomorrow In Huntington Hall.

President Maclaurin is taking advantage of the presence in Boston of Mr. Henry M. Waite, '90, city manager of Dayton, Ohio, to arrange if possible for a students' convocation in Huntington Hall. Mr. Waite is headed for Boston to address the (Continued on Page Three)

CALENDAR

Wednesday, November 18, 1914. 11.00 A. M.—First Edition of December Monthly Out.

4.00 P. M.—Chess Club Meeting. Room A. Union.

4.00—Swimming Team. Boston Y. M. C. A.

5.00—Fencing Meeting. Union. 5.00—Civil Engineering. Chipman Hall, Tremont Temple.

5.00—Gym Team Practice. Gym. 8.00—Organization of Machine Gun Company. Cambridge Armory.

Thursday, November 19, 1914. 1.15—Hockey Team Meeting. 22 Rogers.

1.30—T. C. A. Talk, Union,

5.00—Gym Team Practice. Gym. 6.30—Kommers Dinner. Union.

7.00—Mechanical Engineering Society. Rooms A and B, Union.

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IN CHARGE OF THIS ISSUE.

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The Kommers Dinner officially opens the year's work of one of Technology's most important activities; the one, in fact, which does the most toward supporting the athletic teams of which we are all so proud. this year, more than any heretofore, is one in which athletics are likely to lack financial backing. For this reason, if for no other, Tech Show deserves heartier support this year than it has ever received before. Let us all boost for the Show in general and for the Kommers Dinner in particular.

We have been coolly informed by a member of the freshman class that we omitted from the list published Monday the name of a nominee for class treasurer. The name is not included in the official list of the Ballot Committee, which is the final authority in such matters. Anyone having a complaint to make should, of course, submit it through the regnlar channels, instead of giving The Tech false information for publica-

CHAUNCY HALL CLUB The first meeting of the Chauncy

Hall Club will take place at the Union Friday at 7.30. Mr. Kurt will be there to give the talk.

ENGINEERING AND SCIENTIFIC NOTES

An automobile highway corresponding to the Lincoln highway in this country, is now being built clear across Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

The main telegraph, telephone and railway signal cables in the Canal Zone are being placed in an underground conduit system stretching entirely across the isthmus and adjoining the Panama Canal and Panama Railroad. Branches will be built from the main conduit to the most important points.

Containing 101 lights and over 3000 feet of insulated copper wire, controlled by one student who operates separate switches for each signal, the new football score-board that is being prepared for the Ohio Union is more complex than is necessary for a baseball electric score-board.

Howard Bryan, who is in charge of the construction, is being assisted in the erection of the board by Louis L. Matson, a junior in the department of Electrical Engineering. It is probable that Bryan will attempt to get the board patented, as there is no other similar score-board devised that is used for recording football scores.

INDOOR SEASON OPENS

Meeting For All Men Interested Next Monday Night.

The first meeting of the Indoor Track season will be held next Monday night at five o'clock in Room 11, Eng. B. Freshmen, who have any idea of substituting track work for Gym this winter are expected by the Track Department to attend. The names of all freshmen present will be taken and these men will be excused from one hour of Gym during the week. Coach Kanaly will explain to the freshmen the advantages of replacing Gym work by taking track.

COMMUNICATION

To the Editor of The Tech,

The fact that O. C. Lorenz was nominated as a candidate for two offices was due to a misunderstanding on the part of those who nominated him and was not in any way his fault. Lorenz is running for President only. The nomination committee was not advised of this in time to prevent the publication of both nominations.

Yours respectfully, K. REID, '18.

Y. M. C. A. FORUM

Next Sunday afternoon the Y. M. C. A. Forum will be addressed by Reverend George Hodges, D. D., Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, on "Why Should We Give Thanks?" Miss Barbara Straton, soprano, and the Association Orchesira will furnish a musical program. Technology men are welcome to at

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FRESHMEN IN ANDOVER CROSS COUNTRY RUN

Race To Be Held This Saturday -Freshmen From Five Colleges Entered.

Saturday afternoon the freshman Cross Country Team will go to Andover to compete in the annual run over the course there. Freshmen from Harvard, Dartmouth, Penn. State and Colby have entered teams, while the varsity teams of Worcester Academy and Andover will also compete.

The course is 33-4 miles, for the most part level and with good footing. The only difficult place is a hill about a mile from the start. Last year Colby won the meet, but it is doubtful if she can repeat her per-formance this year. As for the chances of Technology winning this year, Coach Kanaly says that he is unable to give any opinion, because most of the training has been at the New Field, the condition of which is hard to compare with that of the Old. The Technology freshmen placed fifth last year, and from the time trials, they were a little faster than the team representing 1918.

The following seven men will compete for Tech; Lippet, McVicker, Campbell, Mumford, Hamilton, Bond and Greeley. The first five men to finish for each team will score. Bradley will be unable to run on account of the I. C. A. A. A. A. meet at New Haven, and his loss will be keenly felt by the team.

HOCKEY TEAM MEETING

Season's Schedule Includes Yale, Harvard and West Point.

There will be a meeting of all candidates for the Hockey Team in 22 Rogers at 1.15 on Thursday, when the work of the team for the coming season will be outlined. It is hoped that money may be obtained from the Athletic Association to pay for the services of a coach, in which case Mr. Ralph Whitten will probably be selected. At present games have been "closed" with Yale, West Point, Harvard, Mass. "Aggies" and Williams. Games are pending with Dartmouth, Cornell, Columbia and Springfield Training School. The management is also endeavoring to arrange a game in New York with either Princeton or the St. Nicholas Rink Team. This year, by a new ruling of the Athletic Association, it will be possible for men making the team to win their T's if a certain percent of the college games played are won.

The Arena will open soon after December first and practice will start then. The competition for Assistant Manager will likewise start at this time and will continue until about the twentieth of December.

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KOMMERS DINNER (Continued from Page One)

but it was soon found that Simpson Parkinson, the leading man, had joined the English army. He is fulfilling as nearly as possible the role which he played last year. As Jack Simpson, a care free student, was suddenly called upon to face great dangers in a foreign land, so Parkinson in real life has left Technology and may see active service in Europe at any time.

Hiller, who took the part of the princess whom Simpson finally married, will be present, as will the majority of the other members of the cast. They will assist the heads of the different departments of the management in explaining the competitions which will be held later in tne year, and will also probably tell of some of the good times which they have enjoyed as members of the Show.

The new coach, Mr. Samuel Hume. is expected to be one of the most interesting talkers. He has travelled extensively and has been connected with some of the leaders in the dramatic line. He is a college graduate with an A. B. and an A. M., but he is still young and still has plenty of pep.

Mr. Howard, who led the orchestra last year and who has been engaged for the coming year, may be expected to tell of some big things that are to happen in the musical line here this year. He expects to start work within a very short time after the Dinner.

Plans for the Show as a whole will be given by General Manager Lord, wno was Business Manager last year. He will also announce the name of the successful author and the name of the book accepted. A number of books have been entered in the competition and the majority of them are exceptionally good. As it is considered a great honor to be the author of the Tech Show, the result is always looked forward to with much, curlosity and interest,

The Business Department has made all arrangements for appeasing the appetites and the thirsts of a larger number of men than have ever yet attended a Kommers Dinner, and has provided tobacco in various forms as well. The Dinner will start at half past six. Tickets may be obtained by any student at the Cage or from the members of the Management.

CONVOCATION

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joint meeting tonight in Tremont Temple of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers and the Boston sections of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. He is still on the "wing" at the time of going to press, so that the arrangements for the convocation have not been absolutely made; but the probable time of the convocation will be Thursday noon. Mr. Waite is the first man to tackle the problems of a large municipality in a purely busir.ess way, and is doing this irrespective of the feelings of political factions.

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This company will not be through the ordinary drill routine. but will be given actual practice with the new Benet-Mercier rapid fire gun. Col. F. A. Graves and Captain F. J. Burnham will outline the plans for the organization and work of the company which is to consist of only college men. Capt. Burnham and Lieut. W. W. Austin of the Massachusetts State Regiment, who have been officially detailed to this company, and Lieut. William Renwich of the Harvard Law School will teach the technical operation of the weapon. The organization has been authorized by the War Department which has decided to add one such company to every regiment of the National Guard. and if there should be a war, these companies would play an important

DECEMBER MONTHLY OUT

Issue Delayed By Press Accident -Articles Of Interest.

The December issue of the Technology Monthly and Harvard Engineering Journal will be placed on sale this noon. Owing to an accident to the presses, the entire issue had to be reprinted. The first edition will be received at eleven o'clock, and the second during the

This issue contains articles by Harvard and Technology men. The table of contents includes "Problems of the Contractor" by L. C. Wason, "Some Effects of the War on Textiles" by C. H. Clark, '91, Editor of the Textile Manufacturers' Journal; "Scenes about Copley Square" by K. H. Day, '17; "On the Lower Andes" by E. E. Sarti, '16; Field Day Pictures, by the Photographic Staff. The issue contains 56 pages, printed on dull-coated art paper.

ELECTRICAL SOCIETY

On Monday afternoon, November 23rd, the Electrical Engineering Society will visit the International Engineering Works at Framingham. This plant makes the well known Robb Fire Tube Boiler. The members of the Mechanical Engineering Society and Civil Engineering Society are invited. The Society :equests that the men sign up in Lowell Corridor as soon as possible as the number in the party is limited. Further announcement as to the exact time and place of starting will be determined later.





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Since 1850 the population of the United States has more than quadrupled, being approximately 100 million at the present time. In the same period, however, foreign commerce has grown from 318 million to 4259 million dollars and the per capita value of exports from \$16.96 to \$23.27. National wealth has increased from 7 billion dollars in 1870 to approximately 140 billion; money in circulation, from 279 million to 3419 million; and New York bank clearings from approximately 5 billion to over 98 billion dollars, while for the entire country bank clearings have grown from 52 billion in 1887, the earliest year for which figures are available, to 174 billion in 1913.

Evidences of improved social conditions among the people are also found in the "Statistical Record." For example, 19 million children are now enrolled in public schools and about 200,000 students in colleges and other higher institutions of learning, and the total expenditures on behalf of education now approximate \$500,000. 000 a year, the result being a rapid increase in general intelligence and a marked decrease in illiteracy. Over 22,000 newspapers and periodicals are disseminating information among the people, and the report shows a steady growth in the number of libraries in the country. In 1850 depositors in savings banks were 251,000 in number; today the number is 11 million with deposits, exclusive of those in other savings institutions, aggregating four and three-quarter billion dollars, or more than 100 times as much as at the middle of the last century.

The number of miles of railway in operation increased from 9021 in 1859 to 258,033 in 1912. In the last quartercentury the number of passengers carried has increased from 492 million to 1004 million, and the volume of freight handled from 632 million to 1845 million short tons, Nearly 20 billion pieces of outgoing mail matter are handled annually by the Post Office Department, which disbursed in this important public service last year 262 million dollars, or \$2.70 per capita.

FENCING MEETING

An an effort to revive the formerly popular sport of fencing a meeting will be held this afternoon at five o'clock in the Union. The possibility of making fencing a 'Varsity sport will be considered.

COSMOPOLITAN CLUB

To Hold A Dance At Hotel Tuileries Friday Evening.

Rev. J. W. Van Kirk gave a very interesting talk to the Cosmopolitan Club last Monday afternoon. He traced the Cosmopolitan Movement from its very start up to the present day and ended by reviewing the present situation in that connection. He also presented a flag that he has devised for a unified humanity; this flag is based on scientific facts and received great commendation from the last Peace Conference at The Hague.

The Cosmopolitan Club Dance will take place at the Hotel Tuileries on Friday evening at eight o'clock. The committee hopes that this year's dance will prove as successful as those of past years. Tickets are now on sale at \$2.50 a couple, and may be obtained from any member of the Committee in charge or from any officer of the Club.

CHEMICAL SOCIETY

Charles Almy, Jr., To Talk On Vulcanized Rubber.

The Chemical Society will meet next Friday night at 7.45 in 31 Engineering A. The talk, which will be given by Mr. Charles Almy, Jr., chemical engineer of the American Vulcanized Fiber Company of Wilmington, Delaware, will be interesting as vulcanized fiber is every day assuming greater importance as a substitute for rubber and other plastics. Samples of vulcanized rubber will be exhibited to illustrate its properties and uses. All men taking chemical courses are invited by the Society to attend.

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TAG DAY

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up the traffic in their haste to scoot in before the nine o'clock.

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But to talk about the tag itself, it is going to have your numerols on it and thus the committee can tell which class is the most patriotic. From Doc Dewey's dope it looks as if the Junior Class had the most money to throw but perhaps the other classes just don't believe in letting this get out.

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8. Instrumental Trio, 9. Mandolin Club,

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10. Glee Club,

Stein Song

SUMMER CAMP

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These helped to bring to the minds of those present the many interesting times they had enjoyed. One of the many interesting incidents of the evening was the presentation to Professor Russell of a large pipe which made the other pipes seem quite small.

The committee in charge of the affair was W. Farthing, '16; R. H. White, '16, and T. F. McSweeney, '16.

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